



# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

DOCKET NUMBER 98-14

STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF A

20 TRINITY STREET

COMPLAINT AGAINST

HARTFORD, CT 06106

GERRY EGAN

APRIL 9, 1999

### STIPULATION AND ORDER

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-177(c), the State Ethics Commission and the Respondent agree to settle this matter in the manner described below:

1. The Commission finds that the Respondent violated the Code of Ethics for Public Officials as alleged in the Complaint dated December 4, 1998, when he appointed his wife and son to positions as Special Deputy Sheriffs. The Commission further finds that these violations were not intentional, but were the result of the Respondent's failure to familiarize himself with the Code of Ethics.

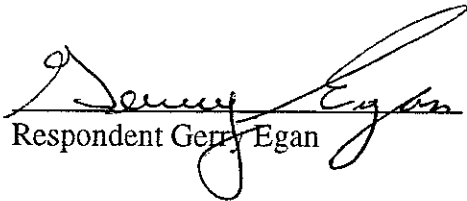
2. The Respondent submits that, during the course of their employment, his wife and son fully performed their duties as Special Deputies and received only the usual compensation for their positions. Therefore, the Respondent states, the State suffered no economic detriment. Furthermore, the Respondent has terminated their employment. The Respondent also submits that his son was hired only after the normal civil service process for hiring special deputy sheriffs had been followed: the Respondent was not aware that appointing his son after a hiring process which included a test administered by the Department of Administrative Services, a physical administered by UConn Health Services and a training program at the sheriff's academy was a violation of the Code of Ethics.

3. The Respondent waives any rights he may have under Conn. Gen. Stat. §§1-82, 1-82a, 1-87 and 1-80, including any right to a hearing or appeal in this case, and agrees with the Commission to an informal disposition of this matter as authorized by Conn. Gen. Stat. §4-177(c).

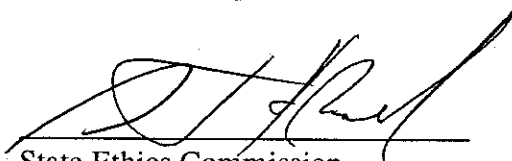
WHEREFORE, the State Ethics Commission enters and the Respondent agrees to the following order in lieu of any other action regarding this matter:

The Respondent agrees to pay \$4000 to the State Ethics Commission, payable in four monthly installments of \$1000 each, the first payment to be made within thirty days

of this Stipulation and Order, and henceforth to comply with the Code of Ethics. The Respondent also agrees that he will participate in training which is to be provided for all the High Sheriffs by the Ethics Commission staff regarding the Code of Ethics for Public Officials.

  
Respondent Gerry Egan

3-19-99  
Dated

  
State Ethics Commission  
by Stanley Burdick, Its Chairperson

4/9/99  
Dated

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